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TAGS: PFOR, EGEN, OAU

SUBJ: PRESIDENT BONGO'S DECISION TO PURCHASE

DC-8 IN US

REF: ADDIS 4843

OAU NOTE PL/SA/14/3-74 DATED APRIL 29 RECEIVED BY EMBASSY. TEXT  
OF NOTE AS FOLLOWS:

1. COMPLIMENTARY OPENING.
2. THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY-GENERAL WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS HIS APPRECIATION TO THE USG FOR CONSULTING HIM BEFORE PROCESSING THE SALES OF A DC-8-63F FOR USE AS A PRESIDENTIAL EXECUTIVE PLANE BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GABON.
3. SINCE PAST EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT PLANES PURCHASED FROM THE USA HAVE LED TO THE BREACH OF INTERNATIONAL LAW THROUGH MIS-REPRESENTATION FROM THE STATE OF GABON, THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY-GENERAL WOULD LIKE TO REFER THIS MATTER TO THE CURRENT CHAIRMAN OF THE OAU. HIS REACTION WILL BE COMMUNICATED TO THE USG IN DUE COURSE.
4. COMPLIMENTARY CLOSING. WYMAN

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